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Dear Sir:

The Applicant, through its representatives and attorneys, hereby brings to the attention of the examiner the eight (8) additional foreign language documents, for consideration in this application. This submission is timely in that it is made prior to a first action on its merits. Copies are provided.

This submission is also timely in that, according to the information available to the undersigned, it can be certified that each of these items was cited in an action dated July 4, 2004 in a corresponding Japanese application. A copy of the Japanese Action is not readily available. This paper is submitted, nevertheless, despite the absence of an Official Filing Receipt for this nationalization of the PCT application as noted. The relevance of the cited Japanese documents can be gleaned from the English language translations.

Please take these documents into account in the initial examination of this application, together with the background at pages 1 to 6 and in Fig. 7 of the application as filed, and the duplicate documents without translation cited in the ISR submitted in the IDS at filing.

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